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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT: Need for Additional Personnel in
Office of Chairman, COMOR

1. In the time that I have had to study the situation in the office of the Chairman, COMOR, I have become convinced that there is need for a third man to assist with the general flow of work but particularly to keep track of the increasing number of SIGINT problems facing this office.

2. The fact that the chairmanship of the SIGINT Working Group rests in DIA rather than in CIA poses a problem in insuring continuing coordination and support between this office and the SWG. [REDACTED] who is the CIA member of the SWG, has been most helpful in undertaking some aspects of staff support that I need, but I feel that he has other responsibilities and cannot, therefore, supply the support that I want.

3. In my estimation the qualifications of this man should be as follows:

- a. Demonstrated ability for staff work.
- b. Technical ability to understand all aspects of ELINT collection requirements and processing.
- c. Ability to research a variety of subjects in depth.
- d. Ability to deal informally with CIA, DoD, and NSA offices to research facts in the SIGINT field.
- e. Grade of GS-12 to 14.

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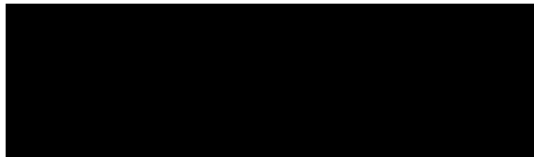
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4. As you are aware, we will be deeply involved by the middle of October in completing a report to USIB on cost-effectiveness in the satellite SIGINT field. This will place a considerable burden of paper work and staffing on this office, and in my estimation this is only the start. Upon USIB acceptance of the Cost-Effectiveness Study, I anticipate a proliferation of responsibilities for COMOR as it will be asked to study all aspects of the need to satisfy a requirement by SIGINT satellites, the effectiveness of available collection systems, the problems posed in processing, and finally in applying to the total problem the question of expense.

5. I recommend that you approve the addition of one officer of grade GS-12 to 14 to the COMOR staff.

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Chairman
Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

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